

Hello everyone,

It's official! I would like to introduce myself to you as the new manager of the Human Services Resource Guide. It's a big responsibility and I look forward to maintaining the usefulness and even finding ways to make improvements to the database to make it the best tool possible for its main customer – you, the specialists of CSP.

Keisha Dotson has been wonderfully generous with her time and expertise in helping me learn about the HSRG. Thank you, Keisha.

I welcome any questions, comments, or suggestions you may have about the HSRG.

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From time to time, perhaps quarterly, I'll send out a short email with updates on important additions or changes to the HSRG. In this inaugural issue of the **HSRG Bulletin**, we tell of an organization offering services to veterans and another that provides transitional housing services, and the development of a Sharepoint page to store time sensitive information. Read on!

Operation Renewed Hope Foundation

Founded by two military veterans in December 2011, ORHF provides small loans to “literally homeless” veterans so they can gain permanent housing. [ORHF](#) specializes in homeless veterans with families. They also provide supportive services such as job counseling and networking and financial stability plans.



Either a referral agency or the potential client can call for assistance. The call will be assigned to one of three caseworkers who will go out and meet the client to assess his or her situation. In the two years they've been in existence, ORHF has helped more than 250 veterans and their families. Contact founder and President Deborah Snyder at 703-887-8117.

Thanks to Lorrie Joseph for bringing this nonprofit to our attention.



WATCH Club

If you have clients moving from a shelter or other temporary housing to a more permanent home, the WATCH Club can assist by providing furniture and household goods. They are also willing to paint the interior of the new home and stock the refrigerator. The WATCH Club is an all-volunteer organization that works directly with other nonprofits (NVFS, for example), but they are seeking to expand their services and receive direct referrals from the county for clients in need. Contact Cheryl Isom at 703-758-7117.



Thanks to Jessica Rhoades for passing along the word about this nonprofit.

Briefly ...

- ❖ The HSRG has been updated with the recently published **2014 Federal Income Guidelines**.
- ❖ [Mission of Mercy](#) will be held March 14 and 15, starting at 7:00 am and ending at 5:00 pm – 33 hours of oral health provision by private dentists and hygienists. The location is the [NVCC Medical Education Campus](#) at 6699 Springfield Center Drive in Springfield. (TSI folder) 
- ❖ **LCAC** (Lorton Community Action Center) has expanded its site and is able to offer more spaces in its ESOL classes. [Rossi Polanco](#) is the new contact at LCAC – 703-339-5161, ext. 171.
- ❖ The [Pet Haven](#) program at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter offers temporary placement for the pets of domestic violence victims. Pets of victims can become targets of violence, too. Contact the shelter at fcpdpetresources@fairfaxcounty.gov or 703-324-0208. Thanks to Yolanda Nicholson for this lead. 

Coming Soon!**Sharepoint Page for *Time Sensitive Information* Folders**

With the help of Aimee Garcia and Michael Snyder, a Sharepoint page for TSI information will be added to the NCS FairfaxNET webpage. We are working out the details of the layout, functions, and format. Access will be restricted to CSP staff only. I'll keep you posted on the progress of implementing this convenient tool.

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